GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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WAITING LIST FOR LPG CONNECTIONS IN AP
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons on the waiting list for LPG connections in Andhra Pradesh, at present district-wise;

(b) the strategy adopted by the Government to clear the backlog;

(c) the number of LPG agencies functioning in the State at present, district-wise and quota of LPG connections with each one of them; and

(d) the time by which the Government propose to provide LPG connections to all the waitlisted persons?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a): The total number of persons on the waiting list registered with the LPG distributors of the Public Sector Oil Companies in the state of Andhra Pradesh as on 1.1.2000, was about 8.87 Lakhs.

(b): Whenever LPG backlog develops, PSU Oil Companies take various measures including maximising imports, operating the bottling plants on extended hours/Sundays and holidays, etc., to meet the demand in the affected markets.

(c): The total number of LPG distributors operating in the State of Andhra Pradesh at present are 531.The distributor-wise quota of LPG connections is not fixed by the Oil Companies.

(d): New LPG connections are released in a phased manner throughout the country depending on the LPG availability, waiting list, slack available with the distributors and their viability. However, the Government has a plan to release around 1 crore LPG connections during the year 2000 to clear all waiting list registered with the LPG distributors of Public Sector O il Companies as on 1.12.1999.